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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Jürgen HEESEMANN
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FLOATING-BEARING
ARRANGEMENT FOR IT
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND ELECTION OF SPECIES

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed February 09, 2006, applicant elects Group I, Claims 1-15, for examination.

In response to the election of species requirement set forth in the Office Action, applicant hereby elects Species A (Fig. 2). Applicant believes that claims 1-10 and 13-15 read on the elected species, of which claims 1-2 and 6-10 are generic.

Applicant reserves the right to request rejoinder of the withdrawn claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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